



## Kentucky Transportation Cabinet Department of Highways District 9 Road Report

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### **Monday drilling kicks off Germantown Road repairs at Maysville** *Work take place through November*

FLEMINGSBURG, Ky. – Contractors will begin installing steel support beams along Germantown Road (KY 3056) in Maysville next week – the first step in a major project to repair a slip that damaged the state highway earlier this spring.

The project, which will continue through November, has two parts: stabilizing the embankment with railroad T-rail, and rebuilding about 900 feet of roadway between KY 8 and Winton Wood Drive.

“Our crews have monitored the situation and have kept the road open with short-term repairs while developing this long-term repair plan,” said Bart Bryant, chief engineer for Kentucky Department of Highways District 9. “Once complete, the project will not only correct the existing damage but also greatly reduce the likelihood of future slips along the highway.”

For stabilization, crews will drill alongside the roadway and install the T-rail. Work is scheduled to start Monday, Oct. 10, and will continue for eight to 10 days, including Saturdays, or until installation of the rail is complete. The highway will be closed to traffic while crews are working, approximately 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. each day, but will be reopened at night.

For rebuilding of the roadway, contractors will remove the existing pavement and replace it with new asphalt. At the same time, the City of Maysville will replace a section of sanitary sewer line within the roadway. During this construction phase – tentatively the week of Oct. 17 through Nov. 11, depending on weather – the roadway will be closed entirely.

Throughout the repairs, roadway message signs will be used to communicate specific schedules or changes in schedules to local residents and the public. Updated information will also be available online through Kentucky Department of Highways District 9’s web page at <http://transportation.ky.gov/district-9> under Road Reports.

The project is the culmination of a multi-agency effort that began in late April when Germantown Road, which serves 700 to 800 vehicles a day, suffered slip damage following a period of heavy rains.

At that time, the Transportation Cabinet took immediate steps to protect the traveling public by inspecting the damage to ensure there was no danger of roadway collapse and by making short-term repairs to keep traffic flowing.

Engineers also began planning long-term repairs by performing geotechnical evaluations, such as core drilling and surveying; and worked with the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) to secure funding once the flooding in Kentucky was declared a disaster.

The Kentucky Department of Highways District 9 crew in Mason County installed warning signs, and kept the roadway patched with concrete and asphalt while monitoring the roadway for further deterioration.

“By making short-term repairs, then taking the necessary time to develop a long-term solution while working with FEMA and the City of Maysville, the more permanent repair can now be performed,” Bryant said. “Our personnel have worked diligently to keep the roadway open while organizing and planning a repair to a complex and challenging situation. I appreciate the patience that has been required of local residents and users of the hill section of Germantown Road and look forward to the completion of work before the winter months.”

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